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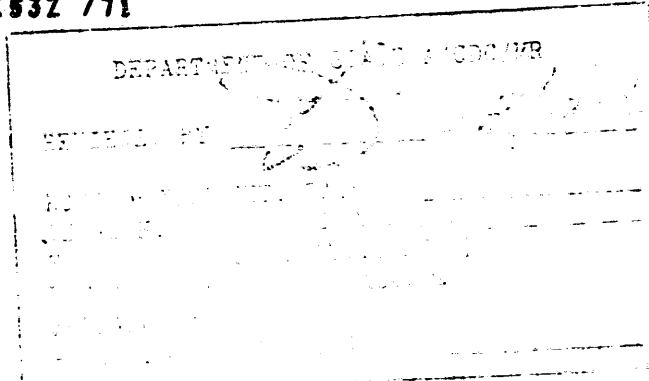
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SUBJECT: EC SUPPORT FOR AFGHAN REFUGEES: EUROPEAN
PARLIAMENT RESOLUTION

REF: LONDON 5055

DEPARTMENT IS VERY PLEASED TO HEAR ABOUT RESOLUTION ON
AFGHAN REFUGEES PASSED BY EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT. WE WOULD,
HOWEVER, APPRECIATE CLARIFICATION OF THE FIGURE CITED IN
THE RESOLUTION OF \$23 REPEAT 23 MILLION PAID TO THE UNITED
NATIONS AS THE UNITED STATES CONTRIBUTION "SO FAR THIS
YEAR." OUR PLEDGES SO FAR THIS YEAR (OUT OF OUR US FY 81
BUDGET BUT COINCIDENTLY ALSO PERTAINING TO CALENDAR YEAR
1981) CONSIST OF \$18 MILLION TO UNHCR AND \$28 MILLION
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WORTH OF FOOD THROUGH WFP, FOR A TOTAL OF \$46 MILLION. ONLY

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A PORTION OF THESE COMMITMENTS HAVE BEEN FORMALLY DISBURSED (\$5 MILLION OF THE UNHCR PLEDGE IS CONDITIONAL ON PASSAGE OF FY 81 BUDGET APPROPRIATION, AND BULK OF FOOD AID HAS NOT YET BEEN PHYSICALLY FORWARDED) BUT NO MATTER HOW WE REHASH DEFINITIONS, WE CANNOT COME UP WITH A \$23 MILLION FIGURE. THIS POINT DOES NOT SIGNIFICANTLY AFFECT THE VERY HELPFUL THRUST OF THE RESOLUTION, BUT IF THE DISCREPANCY IS REAL RATHER THAN DEFINITIONAL YOU MAY WISH TO SET THE RECORD STRAIGHT. HAIG

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